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WHAT'S BIG and WHAT'S SMALL

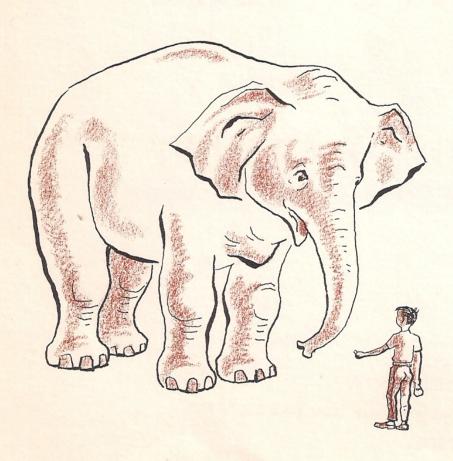
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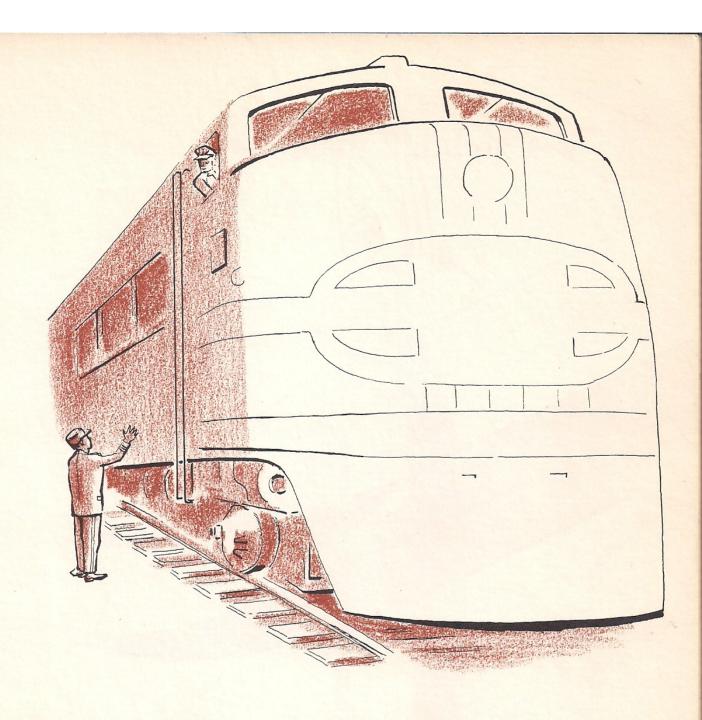
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Most of the time, it is easy to tell what's big.

An elephant is big.



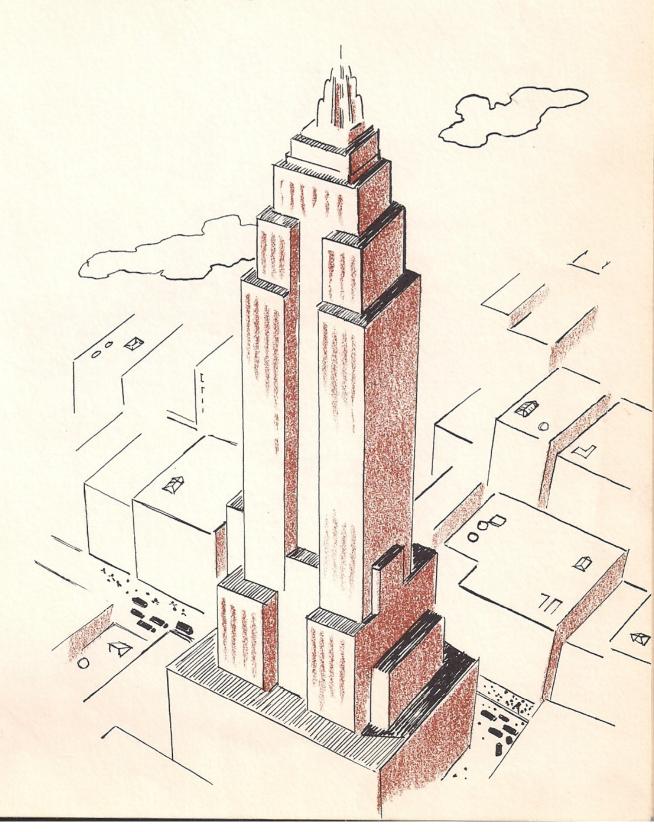


A train engine is very big.



This airplane is very, very big.

The Empire State Building is very, very, very big.



Most of the time, it is easy to tell what's small.



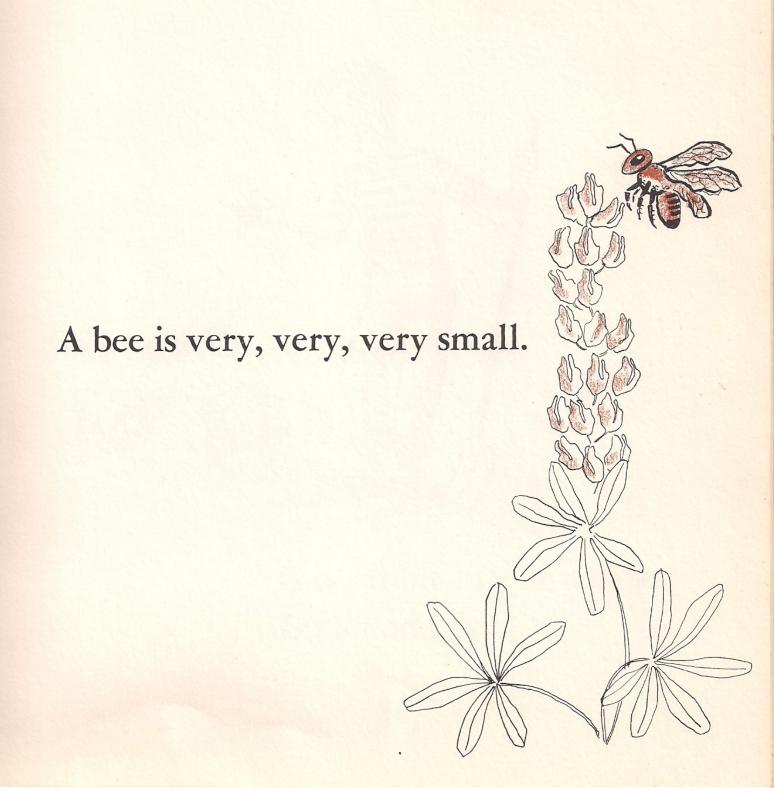
A turtle is small.



A mouse is very small.



A butterfly is very, very small.

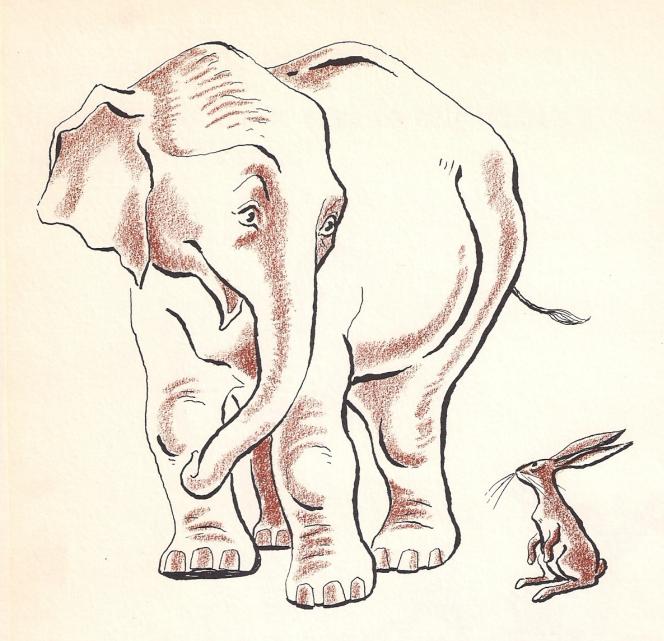


Sometimes it is not easy to tell what's big and what's small.





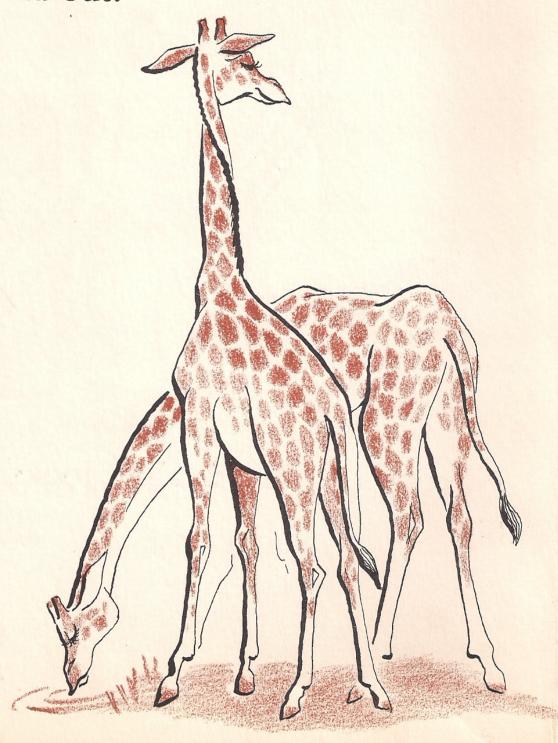
Is a rabbit big or small? Let's find out.

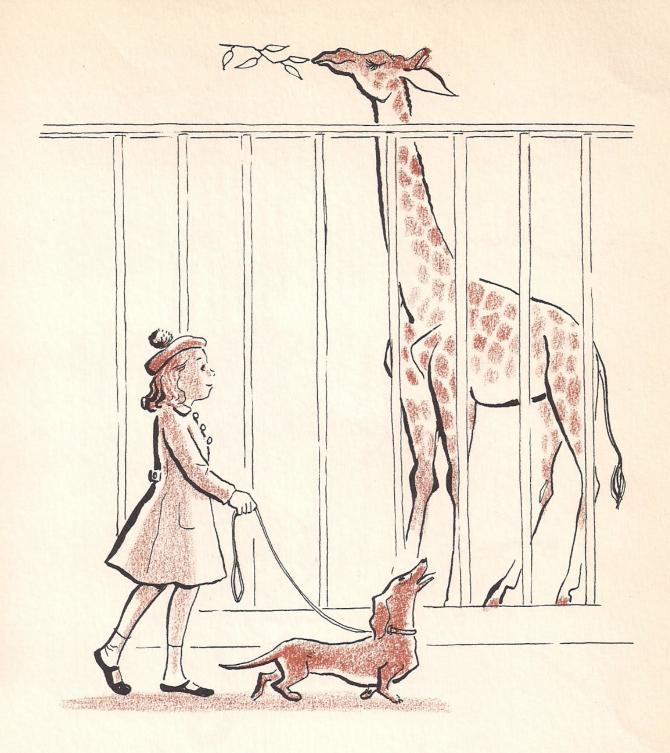


Next to an elephant, a rabbit looks small.

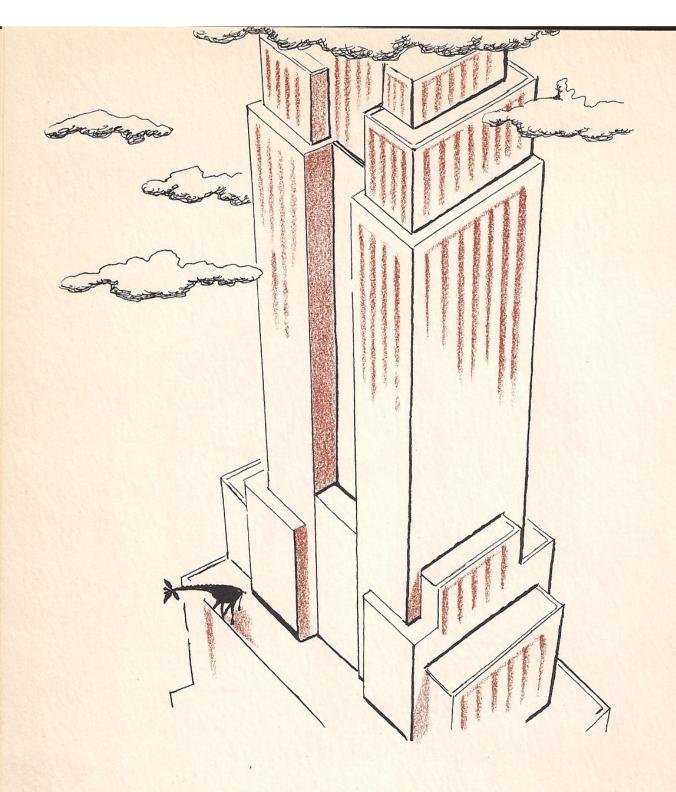
Next to a mouse, a rabbit looks big.

Is a giraffe short or tall? Let's find out.





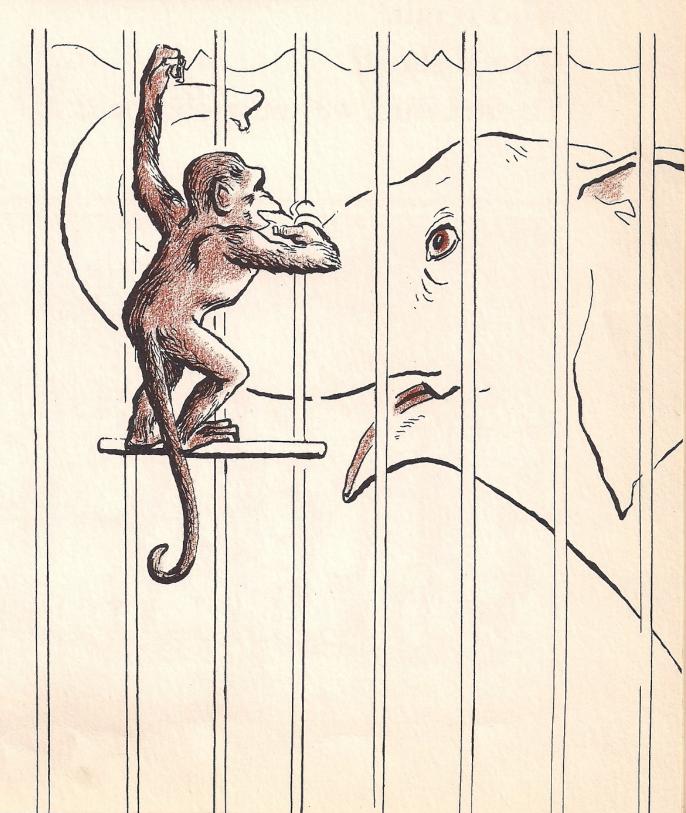
Next to other animals, a giraffe looks very tall.



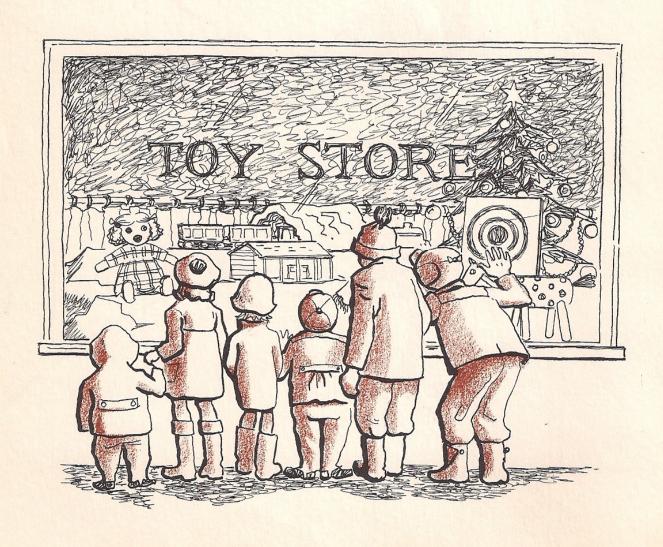
Next to the Empire State Building, a giraffe looks very short.

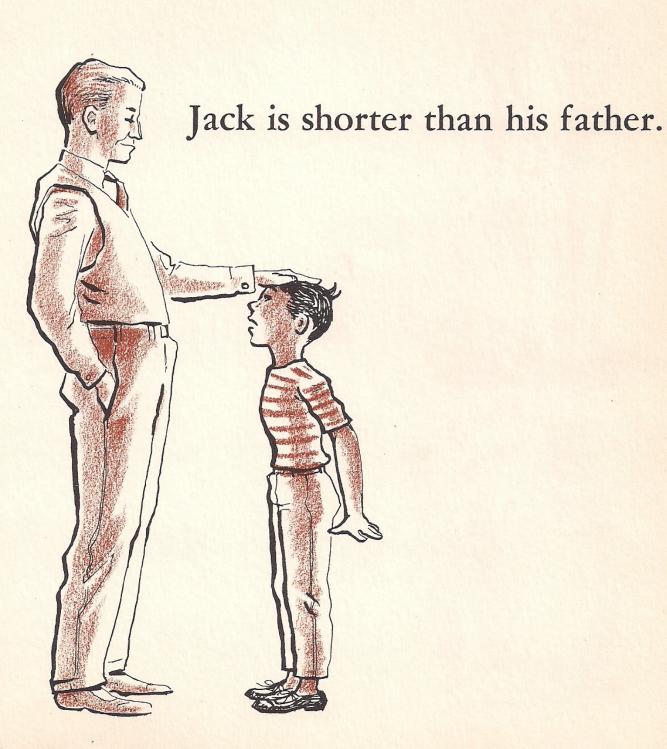
Is a monkey big or small?

To find out, we must compare him with other animals.



Who is tall?
Who is short?
To find out, we must compare.







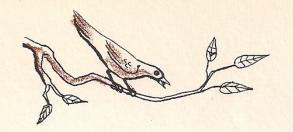
But Jack is taller than his sister Jill.

And Jill is taller than the baby.



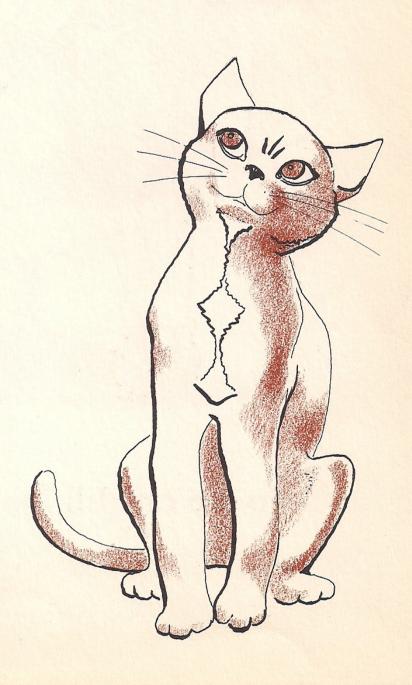


A bird looks big to a worm.



The bird looks small

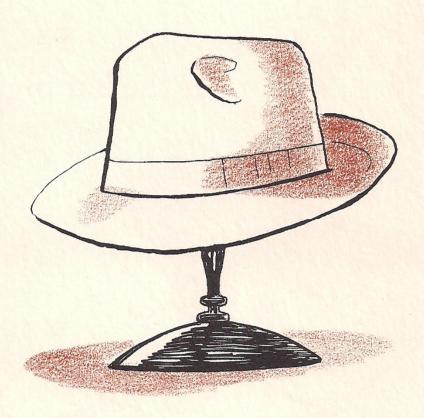
to a cat.





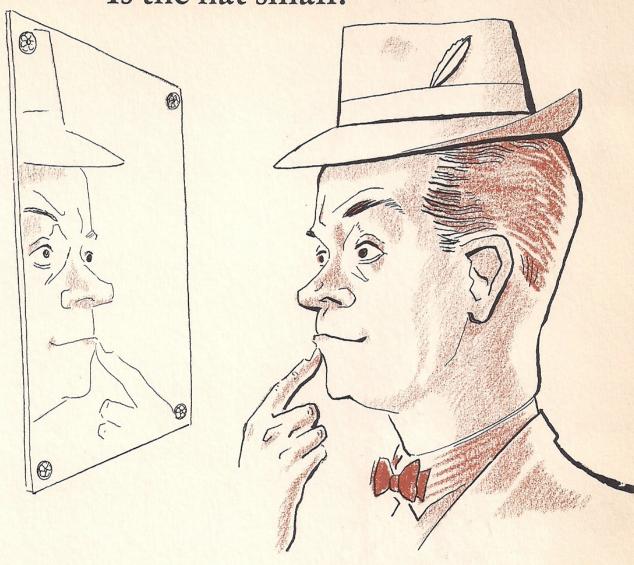
To the cat, Jill looks like a giant.

Is this hat big or small?





Is the hat small?





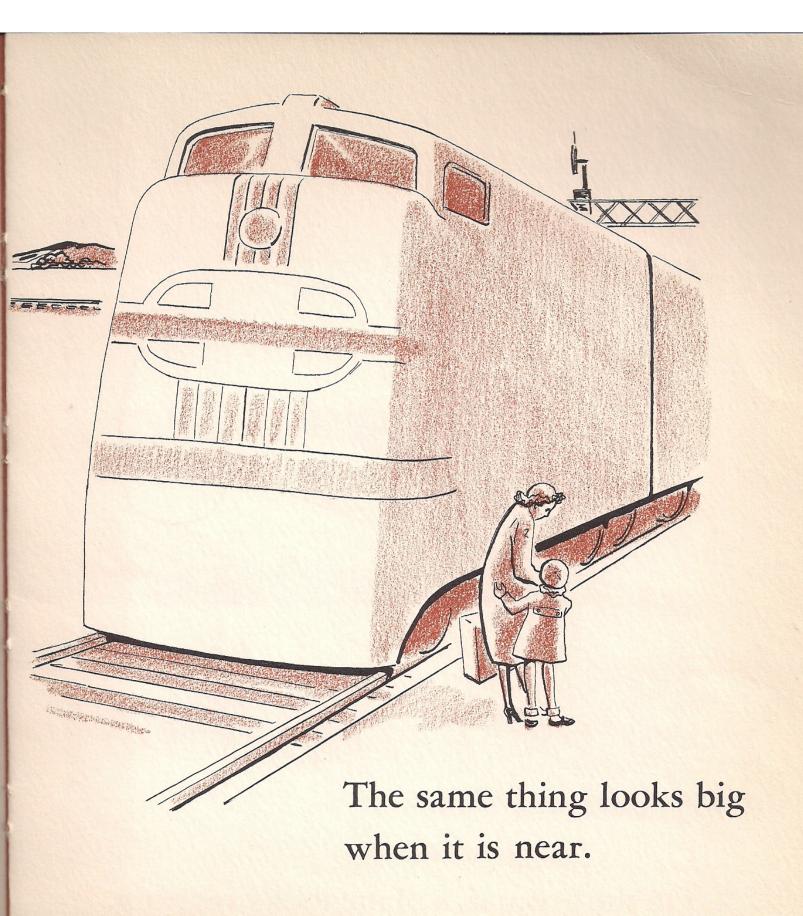
"Ouch," says mother. "These shoes are too small."

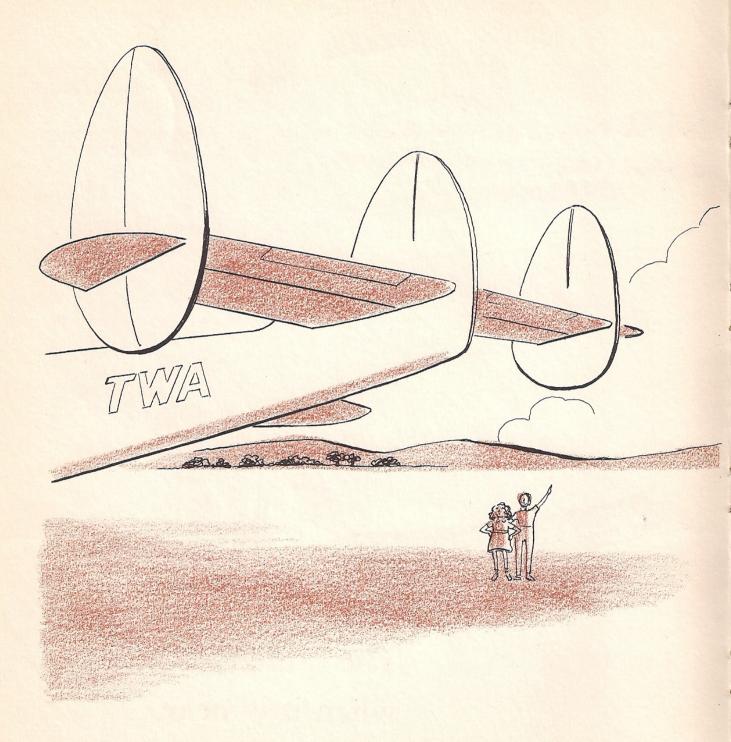


Are the shoes big or small?



A thing looks small when it is far away.





On the ground, a plane looks very big.

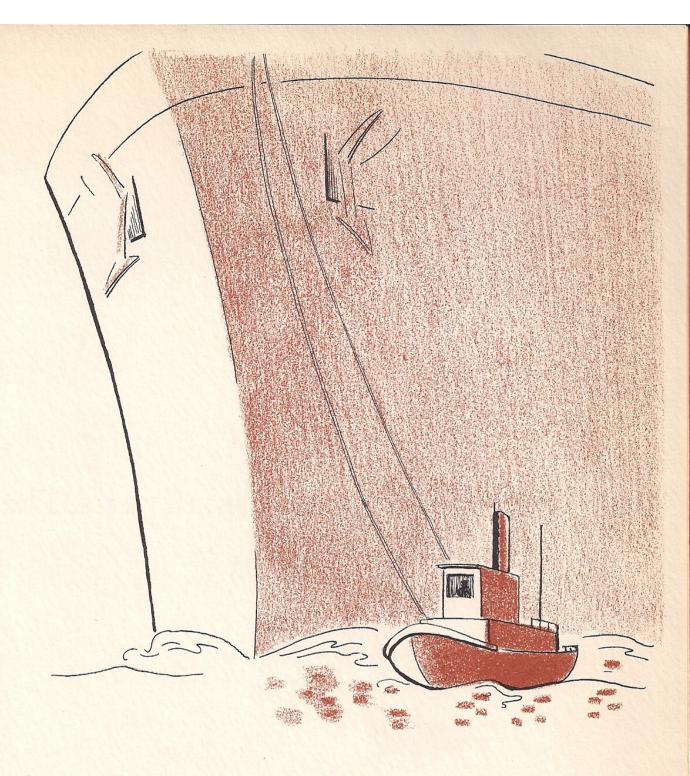
In the air, the same plane looks very small.



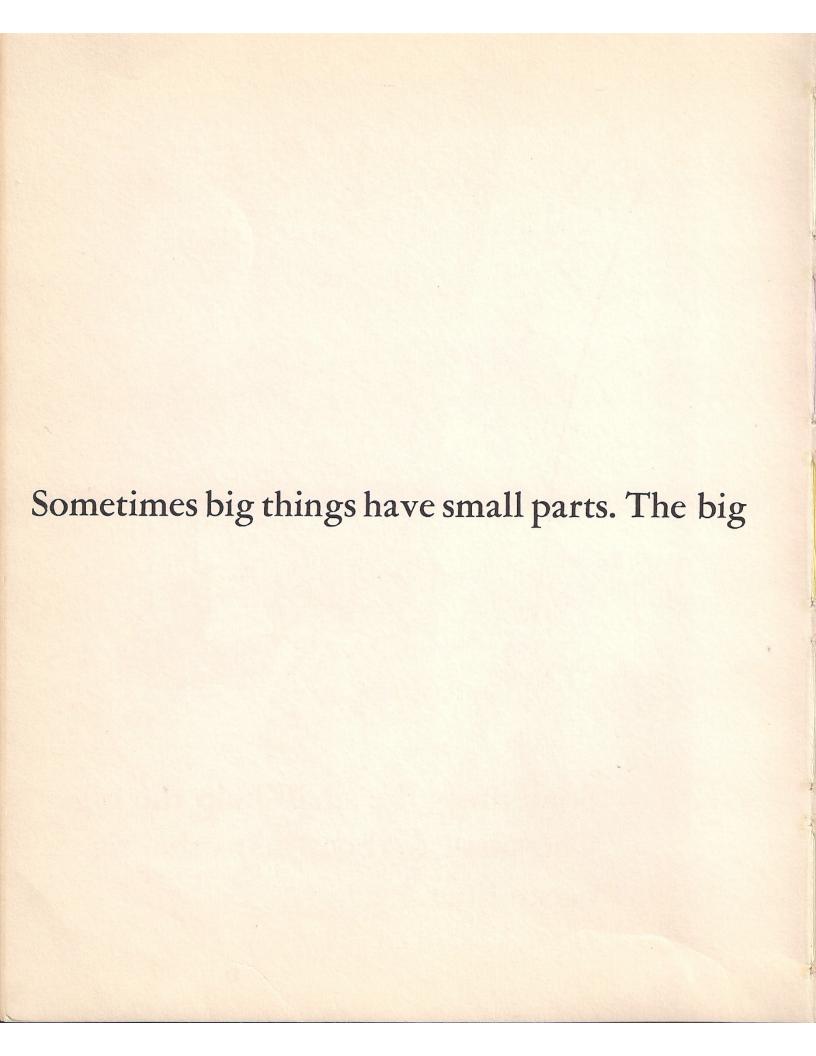


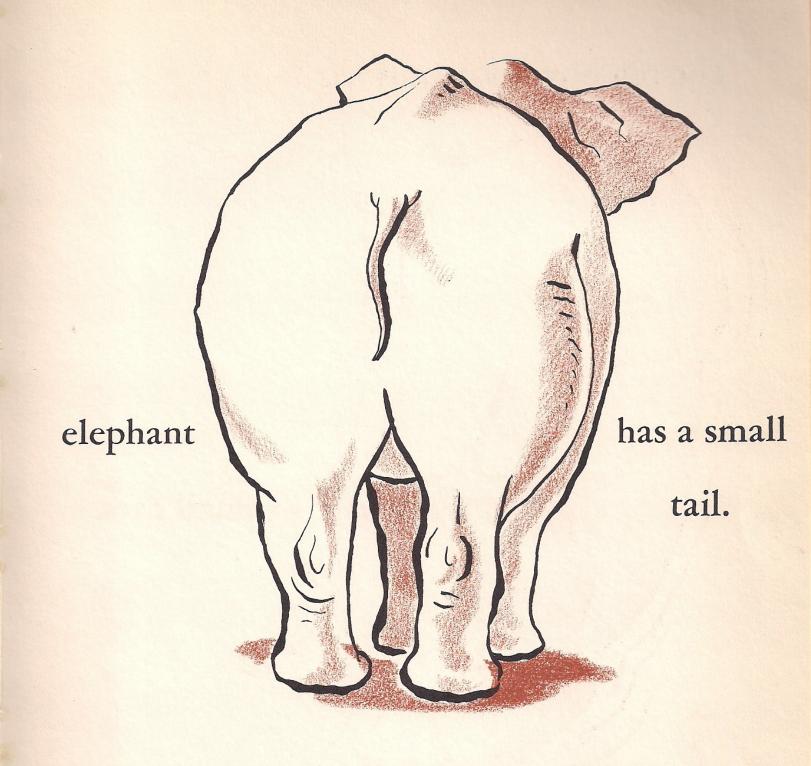
Most of the time, the big help the small.



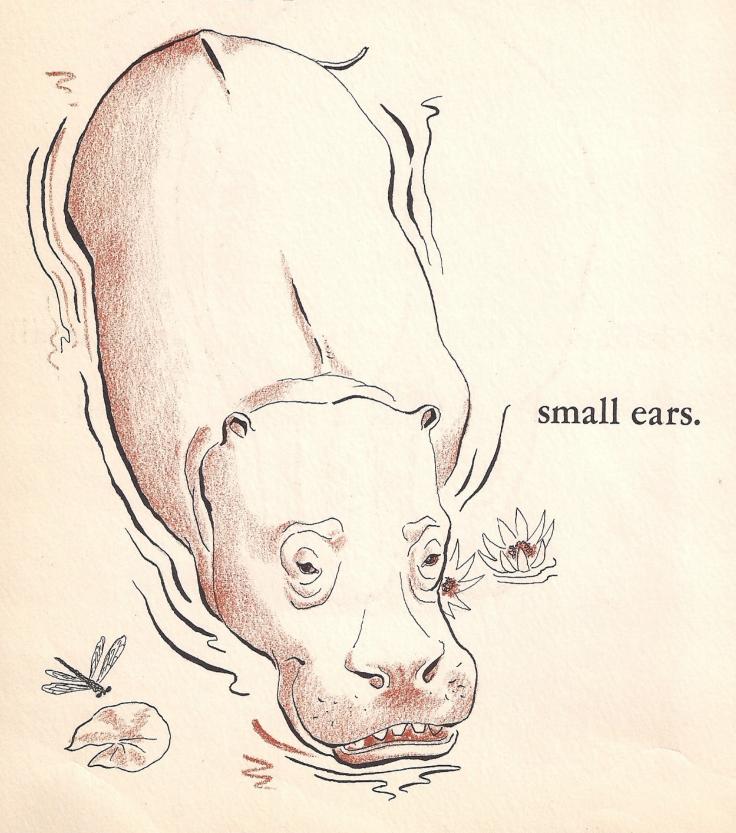


Sometimes the small help the big. The small tugboat helps the big ocean liner.





The big hippopotamus has



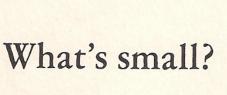
The small rabbit has big ears.



We must compare to find out:



What's big?







What's short?

What's tall?



VOCABULARY LIST

(Because these words are judiciously repeated in the text, they easily become part of the child's reading vocabulary.)

a	have	plane
air	help(s)	
airplane	him	rabbit
an	hippopotamus	same
and	his	says
animals	in	shoes
are	is	short(er)
away	it	sister
1 1	It.	small
baby	Jack	sometimes
bee	Jill	State
big	1	
bird	let's	tail
Building	like	tall(er)
but	liner	tell
butterfly	looks	than
204	monkey	the
cat	most	these
compare	mother	thing(s)
ears	mouse	this
easy	must	time
elephant	iiidst	to
Empire	near	too
engine	next	train
	not	tugboat
far	0.000.00	turtle
father	ocean	
find	of	very
	on	we
giant	or	what's
giraffe	other	when
ground	ouch	who
has	out	with
hat	parts	worm

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